Glycosyl hydrolase genes and their use for producing enzymes for the biodegradation of carrageenans

The present invention relates to glycosyl hydrolase genes for the biotechnological production of oligosaccharides, especially sulfated oligo-carrageenans and more particularly oligo-iota-carrageenans and oligo-kappa-carrageenans, by the biodegradation of carrageenans.

The sulfated galactans of Rhodophyceae, such as agars and carrageenans, represent the major polysaccharides of Rhodophyceae and are very widely used as gelling agents or thickeners in various branches of activity, especially agri-foodstuffs. About 6000 tonnes of agars and 22,000 tonnes of carrageenans are extracted annually from red seaweeds for this purpose. Agars are commercially produced by red seaweeds of the genera *Gelidium* and *Gracilaria*. Carrageenans, on the other hand, are widely extracted from the genera *Chondrus, Gigartina* and *Eucheuma*.

Carrageenans consist of repeat D-galactose units alternately bonded by $\beta$ 1→4 and $\alpha$ 1→3 linkages. Depending on the number and position of sulfate ester groups on the repeat disaccharide of the molecule, carrageenans are thus divided into several different types, namely: kappa-carrageenans, which possess one sulfate ester group, iota-carrageenans, which possess two sulfate ester groups, and lambda-carrageenans, which possess three sulfate ester groups.

The physicochemical properties and the uses of these polysaccharides as gelling agents are based on their capacity to undergo ball-helix conformational transitions as a function of the thermal and ionic environment [Kloareg et al., Oceanography and Marine Biology - An annual review 26 : 259-315 (1988)].

Furthermore, carrageenans are structural analogs of the sulfated polysaccharides of the animal extracellular matrix (heparin, chondroitin, keratan, dermatan) and they exhibit biological activities which are related to certain functions of these glycosaminoglycans.

In particular, carrageenans are known:

(i) - for their action on the immune system, causing the secretion of interleukin or prostaglandins,

(ii) - for their antiviral action on the AIDS virus HIV1, the herpes virus HSV1 and the hepatitis A virus,

(iii) - as antagonists of the fixation of the growth factors of human cells,

(iv) - and also for their action on the proliferation of keratinocytes and their action on the contractility of fibroblasts.

Furthermore, oligocarrageenans act on the adherence, the division and the protein synthesis of human cell cultures, doubtless as structural analogs of the glycosylated part of the proteins of the extracellular matrix. In plants, oligocarrageenans very significantly elicit enzymatic activities which are markers of growth (amylase) or of the phenolic defense metabolism (laminarinase, phenylalanineammonium lyase).

Carrageenans are extracted from red seaweeds by conventional processes such as hot aqueous extraction, and oligocarrageenans are obtained from carrageenans by chemical hydrolysis or, preferably, by enzymatic hydrolysis.

The production of oligocarrageenans by enzymatic hydrolysis generally comprises the following steps:

1) production of a glycosyl hydrolase by the culture of a marine bacterium;

2) enzymatic hydrolysis of the carrageenan with the glycosyl hydrolase thus obtained; and

3) fractionation and purification of the oligocarrageenans obtained.

Microorganisms which produce enzymes capable of hydrolyzing iota- and kappa-carrageenans were isolated by Bellion et al. in 1982 [Can. J. Microbiol. **28** : 874-80 (1982)]. Some are specific for κ- or ι-carrageenan and others are capable of hydrolyzing both substrates. Another group of bacteria capable of degrading carrageenans was characterized by Sarwar et al. in 1983 [J. Gen. Appl. Microbiol. **29** : 145-55 (1983)]. These yellow-orange bacteria are assigned to the *Cytophaga* group of bacteria and some of these bacteria have the property of hydrolyzing both agar and carrageenans.

Purification and characterisation of several ι-carrageenases and κ-carrageenases, such as the ι-carrageenase and κ-carrageenase of *Cytophaga drobachiensis*, the ι-carrageenase of *Alteromonas fortis* and the κ-carrageenase of *Alteromonas carrageenovora*, were described in the thesis of P. Potin ["Recherche, production, purification et caractérisation de galactane-hydrolases pour la préparation des parois d'algues rouges", (February 1992)]. A detailed study of the κ-carrageenase of *Alteromonas carrageenovora* was described by Potin et al. [Eur. J. Biochem. 228, 971-975 (1995)].

The availability of specific enzymes and tools for obtaining oligocarrageenans by genetic engineering could markedly improve their production.

The Applicant has now found novel glycosyl hydrolase genes which make it possible specifically to obtain either oligo-iota-carrageenans or oligo-kappa-carrageenans.

Thus the present invention relates to novel genes which code for glycosyl hydrolases having an HCA score with the iota-carrageenase of *Alteromonas fortis* which is greater than or equal to 65%, preferably greater than or equal to 70% and advantageously greater than or equal to 75% over the domain extending between amino acids 164 and 311 of the sequence [SEQ ID No. 2] of the iota-carrageenase of *Alteromonas fortis*.

The present invention relates more particularly to the nucleic acid sequence [SED ID No. 1] which codes for an iota-carrageenase as defined above, the amino acid sequence of which is the sequence [SEQ ID No. 2].

The present invention further relates to the genes which code for glycosyl hydrolases having an HCA score with the kappa-carrageenase of *Alteromonas carrageenovora* which is greater than or equal to 75%, preferably greater than 80% and advantageously greater than 85% over the domain extending between amino acids 117 and 262 of the sequence ~~[SEQ ID No. 6]~~ of the kappa-carrageenase of *Alteromonas carrageenovora*.

In particular, the invention relates to the nucleic acid sequence [SEQ ID No. 7] which codes for a kappa-carrageenase having a score as defined above, the amino acid sequence of which is the sequence [SEQ ID No. 8].

The glycosyl hydrolase genes of the invention are obtained by a process which consists in selecting proteins having an HCA score with the iota-carrageenase of *Alteromonas fortis* which is greater than or equal to 65%, preferably greater than or equal to 70% and advantageously greater than or equal to 75% over the domain extending between amino acids 164 and 311 of the sequence [SEQ ID No. 2] of the iota-carrageenase of *Alteromonas fortis*, and in sequencing the resulting genes by the conventional techniques well known to those skilled in the art.

The glycosyl hydrolase genes of the invention can also be obtained by a process which consists in selecting proteins having an HCA score with the kappa-carrageenase of *Alteromonas carrageenovora* which is greater than or equal to 75%, preferably greater than 80% and advantageously greater than 85% over the domain extending between amino acids 117 and 262 of the sequence [SEQ ID No. 6] of the kappa-carrageenase of *Alteromonas carrageenovora*, and in

sequencing the resulting genes by the conventional techniques well known to those skilled in the art.

Finally, the present invention relates to the use of the above glycosyl hydrolase genes for obtaining, by genetic engineering, glycosyl hydrolases which are useful for the biotechnological production of oligocarrageenans.

The glycosyl hydrolases according to the invention are therefore characterized by the HCA score which they possess with a particular domain of the amino acid sequence of the iota-carrageenase of *Alteromonas fortis* or the kappa-carrageenase of *Alteromonas carrageenovora*.

The HCA or "Hydrophobic Cluster Analysis" method is a method of analyzing the sequences of proteins represented as a two-dimensional structure, which has been described by Gaboriaud et al. [FEBS Letters 224, 149-155 (1987)].

It is known that the three-dimensional structure of a protein governs its biological properties, the production of an active protein demanding correct folding.

It is also known that the primary structure of proteins varies much more substantially than the higher-order structures and that proteins can be grouped into families which show similar secondary and tertiary structures but sometimes have such divergent primary sequences that the mutual relationship between such proteins is not obvious. The code which relates primary structure and secondary structure therefore appears to be highly degenerate since very different primary structures can ultimately lead to similar secondary and tertiary structures [Structure 3, 853-859 (1995) and Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 92 (1995)].

The use of the HCA method has shown that the distribution, size and shape of these hydrophobic clusters along the amino acid sequences are representative of the 3D folding of the proteins studied.

Also, Woodcock et al. [Protein Eng. 5, 629-635 (1992)] have shown that the hydrophobic clusters defined by the α-helical 2D diagram are statistically centered on the regular secondary structures (α-helices, β-strands), that the 2D diagram based on the α-helix carries the greatest amount of structural information and that the correspondence between hydrophobic clusters and elements of secondary structure is of the same quality for any type of folding (all α, all β, α/β and α + β), thus demonstrating that the HCA method can be used irrespective of the type of protein.

L. Lemesle-Varloot et al. [Biochimie 72, 555-574 (1990)] have shown that when two proteins have a similar distribution of hydrophobic clusters over a domain of at least 50 residues, their three-dimensional structures in this domain are considered to be superimposable and their functions to be analogous.

Thus, for example, Barbeyron et al. [Gene 139, 105-109 (1994)] used this HCA method for the comparison of the similarities in the shape, distribution and size of several hydrophobic clusters of the κ-carrageenase of *Alteromonas carrageenovora* with respect to enzymes from family 16 of glycosyl hydrolases.

The two-dimensional representation used in the HCA method is an α-helix in which the amino acids are arranged by computer processing to give 3.6 residues per turn. To obtain an easily readable plane image, the helix is cut in the longitudinal direction. Finally, to obtain the whole of the hydrophobic clusters situated at the edges of the image, the diagram is duplicated. The method uses a code which recognizes only two states: the hydrophobic state and the hydrophilic state.

The amino acids recognized as being hydrophobic are identified and grouped into characteristic geometric figures. Using these two states makes it possible to become independent of the tolerance shown by the two- and three-dimensional structures towards the variability of the primary sequences. Furthermore, this representation affords rapid observation of interactions over a short or medium distance since the first amino acid and the second, adjacent amino acid of a given residue are located on a segment of 17 amino acids. Finally, in contrast to the analytical methods based on the primary or secondary structures of proteins, no "window" of predefined length is used.

The fundamental characteristic of the α-helix representation is that, for a given globular protein or only a domain of this protein, the distribution of the hydrophobic residues on the diagram is not random. The hydrophobic residues (VILFWMY) form clusters of varying geometry and size. On the diagram, the hydrophilic and hydrophobic faces of the amphiphilic helices are very recognizable. Thus a horizontal diamond cluster corresponds to the hydrophobic face of an α-helix, the internal helices appear as large horizontal hydrophobic clusters and the β-strands appear as rather short, vertical hydrophobic clusters. The method makes it possible to identify the hydrophobic residues forming the core of the globular proteins and to locate the elements of secondary structure, namely the α-helices and the β-strands, independently of any knowledge of the secondary structure of the protein studied.

The HCA score between two proteins is calculated as follows:

For each cluster:

$$\text{HCA score} = 2CR/(RC_1 + RC_2) \times 100\%$$

where

- $RC_1$ and $RC_2$ are the number of hydrophobic residues in the cluster of protein 1 (cluster 1) and the cluster of protein 2 (cluster 2), respectively.

- CR is the number of hydrophobic residues in the cluster 1 which correspond to the hydrophobic residues in the cluster 2.

The mean value obtained for all the clusters along the protein sequences compared gives the final HCA score.

On the HCA profiles, the amino acids are represented by their standard code of a single letter, with the exception of proline (P), glycine (G), serine (S) and threonine (T).

In fact, because of their particular properties, these residues are represented by the special symbols indicated below so as to facilitate their visual identification on the HCA diagrams (cf. list of abbreviations).

Proline introduces high constraints into the polypeptide chain and is considered systematically as an interruption in the clusters. In fact, proline residues stop or deform the helices and the lamellae. Glycine possesses a very substantial conformational flexibility because of the absence of a side chain in this amino acid. Serine and threonine are normally hydrophilic, but they can also be found in hydrophobic environments, such as α-helices, in which their hydroxyl group loses their hydrophilic character because of the hydrogen bond formed with the carbonyl group of the main chain. Within the hydrophobic β-lamellae, threonine is sometimes capable of replacing hydrophobic residues by virtue of the methyl group on its side chain.

Amino acids can be divided into four groups according to their hydrophobicity:

(i) - strongly hydrophobic residues: V, I, L and F;

(ii) - moderately hydrophobic residues: W, M and Y

→ W appears at surface sites more frequently than F,

→ M is encountered at various sites, internal or otherwise,

→ Y can adapt to internal hydrophobic environments and is frequently found in loops;

(iii) - weakly hydrophobic residues: A and C are virtually insensitive to the hydrophobic character of their environment; and

(iv) - hydrophilic residues: D, E, N, Q, H, K and R.

Using this HCA method, the Applicant has found that proteins having an HCA score with the iota-carrageenase of *Alteromonas fortis* which is greater than or equal to 65% over the domain extending between amino acids 164 and 311 of said iota-carrageenase are enzymes of the glycosyl hydrolase type and more particularly iota-carrageenases appropriate for the production of oligo-iota-carrageenans from carrageenans.

The proteins having an HCA score which is greater than or equal to 70%, preferably greater than or equal to 75%, with the above domain 164-311 are particularly preferred for the purposes of the invention.

One particular example of glycosyl hydrolase obtained with a gene according to the invention is the protein having the amino acid sequence [SEQ ID No. 2], extracted from *Alteromonas fortis*.

Another particular example of glycosyl hydrolase obtained with a gene according to the invention is the protein having the amino acid sequence [SEQ ID No. 4], extracted from *Cytophaga drobachiensis*.

Likewise, the Applicant has found that proteins having an HCA score with the kappa-carrageenase of *Alteromonas carrageenovora* which is greater than or equal to 75% over the domain extending between amino acids 117 and 262 of said kappa-carrageenase are enzymes of the glycosyl hydrolase type and more particularly kappa-carrageenases appropriate for the production of oligo-kappa-carrageenans from carrageenans.

The proteins having an HCA score which is greater than or equal to 80%, preferably greater than or equal to 85%, with the above domain 117-262 are particularly preferred for the purposes of the invention.

The above proteins are advantageously extracted from marine bacteria.

One particular example of glycosyl hydrolase obtained with a gene according to the invention is the protein having the amino acid sequence [SEQ ID No. 6], extracted from *Alteromonas carrageenovora*.

Another particular example of glycosyl hydrolase obtained with a gene according to the invention is the protein having the amino acid sequence [SEQ ID No. 8], extracted from *Cytophaga drobachiensis*.

As indicated previously, the genes according to the invention, coding for glycosyl hydrolases, can be obtained by sequencing the genome of bacteria which product glycosyl hydrolases, as defined above, by the conventional methods well known to those skilled in the art.

The invention further relates to the expression vectors which carry the nucleic acid sequences according to the invention, with the means for their expression.

These expression vectors can be used to transform prokaryotic microorganisms, particularly *Escherichia coli*, or eukaryotic cells such as yeasts or fungi.

The invention will now be described in greater detail by means of the illustrative and non-limiting Examples below.

The methods used in these Examples are methods well known to those skilled in the art, which are described in detail in the work by Sambrook, Fristsch and Maniatis entitled "Molecular cloning: a laboratory manual", published in 1989 by Cold Spring Harbor Press, New York (2nd edition).

The following description will be understood more clearly with the aid of Figures 1 to 4, which respectively show the following:

Fig. 1: The maximum similarity alignment, according to the method of Needleman and Wunsch [J. Mol. Biol. 48, 443-453 (1970)], of the amino acid sequence of the iota-carrageenase of *Alteromonas fortis* (top part) and the iota-carrageenase of *C. drobachiensis* (bottom part).

Fig. 2: The HCA profiles of the amino acid sequences of the iota-carrageenases of *Cytophaga drobachiensis* and *Alteromonas fortis*.

Fig. 3: The maximum similarity alignment, according to the method of Needleman and Wunsch, 1970, J. Mol. Biol. 48, 443-453, of the amino acid sequence of the kappa-carrageenase of *Alteromonas carrageenovora* (top part) and *Cytophaga drobachiensis* (bottom part).

Fig. 4: The HCA profiles of the amino acid sequences of the kappa-carrageenases of *Cytophaga drobachiensis* and *Alteromonas fortis*.

The abbreviations or special symbols used for the amino acids in the Examples below are as follows:

Glycine: ◊
Proline: *
Threonine : □
Sérine: ⊡
Alanine: A
Valine: V
Leucine: L
Isoleucine: I
Methionine: M
Phenylalanine: F
Tryptophan: W
Cysteine: C
Asparagine: N
Glutamine: Q
Tyrosine: Y
Aspartate: D
Glutamate: E
Lysine: K
Arginine: R
Histidine: H

**EXAMPLE 1**

**The iota-carrageenases of *Cytophaga drobachiensis* and *Alteromonas fortis***

**SECTION 1: Cloning of the genes of the iota-carrageenases of *Cytophaga drobachiensis* and *Alteromonas fortis***

*Cytophaga drobachiensis* was isolated by the Applicant from the red seaweed *Delesseria sanguinea* [Eur. J. Biochem. 201 : 241-247 (1991)]. *Alteromonas fortis* (ATCC 43554) was obtained from the American Type Culture Collection. The strains were cultivated on a Zobell medium at 25°C.

Genome libraries of the DNAs of *C. drobachiensis* and *A. fortis* were constructed.

The strain used to construct these libraries, namely *Escherichia coli* DH5α (Rec A, *end*A1, *gyr*A96, *thi*1, *hsd*R17 [rk- mk+], *sup*E44, *rel*A1, *lac*ZΔM15), was cultivated on Luria-Bertani medium (LB medium) at 37°C or on a so-called Zd medium (bactotryptone 5 g/l, yeast extract 1 g/l, NaCl 10 g/l; pH = 7.2) at 22°C, to which 2% of κ-carrageenan were added.

Ampicillin (50 µg/ml) or tetracycline (15 µg/ml) was added to the agar or non-agar culture media from stock solutions prepared in 50% ethanol (to avoid solidification at the storage temperature, -20°C), except in the case of the non-recombinant strain DH5α.

The expression vector used is plasmid pAT153 described in Nature 283 : 216 (1980). This plasmid contains two antibiotic resistance genes: a tetracycline resistance gene and a gene which codes for a β-lactamase, an enzyme of the cytoplasmic membrane which degrades ampicillin.

The total DNA of *C. drobachiensis* and the total DNA of *A. fortis* were prepared by the method described by Barbeyron et al. [J. Bacteriol. 160, 586-590 (1984)].

The genomic DNAs of *C. drobachiensis* and *A. fortis* were cleaved with the restriction endonucleases *Nde*II and *Sau*3AI respectively. In fact, in the case of *C. drobachiensis*, the restriction endonuclease *Nde*II was used preferentially because the DNA of this bacterium is methylated on the C residue of the GATC sequence.

The purified DNA fragments of 5000 to 10,000 bp were cloned at the *Bam*HI site of plasmid pAT153, which cleaves the tetracycline resistance gene.

6000 clones were obtained in each of the genome libraries.

The five positive *C. drobachiensis* clones and the two positive *A. fortis* clones, which hollowed out a hole in the ι-carrageenan after one week of culture at 22°C, are referred to respectively as pIC1 to pIC5 and pIP1 to pIP2.

**1. Cloning from *C. drobachiensis***

The cloning of this gene is described in detail by T. Barbeyron in the doctoral thesis examined on 28 October 1993 at the Université Pierre et Marie Curie, Roscoff.

The plasmid DNA was isolated from the above five clones by the alkaline lysis method [Nucleic Acid Res. 7 : 1513 (1979)].

The sizes and mapping of the inserts showing an ι-carrageenase activity were determined by agarose gel electrophoresis after single and double digestion of their plasmids with various restriction enzymes.

The DNA fragments were extracted from the agarose by the glass wool method.

All the plasmids obtained contain an identical *Pvu*II fragment of 3.3 kb.

This fragment was subcloned in phagemid pbluescript KSII (Stratagene) (pICP07 and pICP16).

Likewise, the internal *Nde*I fragment and a *Hind*III fragment partially comprising the *Pvu*II fragment were subcloned to give the pICN22 and pICH42 subclones, respectively.

To locate the ι-carrageenase gene, libraries were constructed from the pICP07 and pICP16 subclones in phagemid pbluescript with the aid of the exonuclease III of *E. coli*, using the "ExoIII" kit from Pharmacia.

The subclones and the ExoIII clones obtained were plated onto Zd medium solidified with ι-carrageenan.

Only the pICP16 and pICP07 clones and the ExoIII pICP074 and pICP0712 clones (obtained by degradation with ExoIII for 4 minutes and 12 minutes, respectively, from the pICP07 clone) are ι-carrageenase-positive.

**2. Cloning from *Alteromonas fortis***

The DNA of the pIP1 and pIP2 clones showed inserts of 10.45 kb and 4.125 kb respectively, having a common fragment of 3 kb. These clones showed a positive ι-carrageenase activity. Different fragments were subcloned and plated as described above. However, none of the subclones obtained proved to be ι-carrageenase-positive.

**SECTION 2: Determination of the nucleotide sequences of the genes coding for the ι-carrageenases of *Cytophaga drobachiensis* and *Alteromonas fortis***

**1. Sequence of the *Cytophaga drobachiensis* gene**

Plasmid pICP0712 was used to determine the nucleotide sequence of the gene responsible for the ι-carrageenase activity of *C. drobachiensis* [SEQ ID No. 3].

This nucleotide sequence is composed of 1837 bp. Translation of the six reading frames revealed only one open frame, called *cgiA*. The potential initiation codon is situated 333 bp beyond the 5'P end of the sequence.

The protein sequence [SEQ ID No. 4] deduced from the sequence of *cgiA* is composed of 391 amino acids, corresponding to a theoretical molecular weight of 53.4 kDa. The hydropathic profile of this protein shows a hydrophobic region covering the first 24 amino acids. The presence of a positively charged amino acid (Lys) followed by a hydrophobic block and then by a polar segment of six amino acids suggests that this domain could be a signal peptide. According to the analyses performed by the method of Von Heijne [J. Mol. Biol. 184 : 99-105 (1985)], the signal peptidase would cleave between valine ($Val^{24}$) and threonine ($Thr^{25}$). The mature protein devoid of its signal peptide would have a theoretical molecular weight of 50.7 kDa. The identity of the *cgiA* gene was confirmed by determination of the amino acids at the $NH_2$ end of the partially purified protein. The sequence obtained matches the one deduced from the nucleotide sequence. The first amino acid is situated 14 residues from the $NH_2$ end generated by the signal peptidase. As the presence of the two prolines following the amino acids determined by microsequencing had slightly disturbed the order of appearance of the N-terminal residues, the sequence of an internal oligopeptide, purified by HPLC after cleavage with trypsin, was established. The sequence $NH_2$ATYKCOOH obtained is situated near the C-terminal end of the iotase (residues 396 to 399).

**2. Sequence of the *Alteromonas fortis* gene**

Plasmids pIHP15 and pIHPX17, subcloned from pIP1 and pIP2, were used to determine the nucleotide sequence of the gene responsible for the ι-carrageenase activity of *Alteromonas fortis*, SEQ ID No. 1. The 2085 bp fragment contains a single open reading frame of 1473 bp, called *cgiA*. The sequence situated upstream of the initiation codon ($ATG^{211}$) is not a coding sequence.

The protein sequence deduced from the sequence of the *A. fortis* ι-carrageenase gene [SEQ ID No. 2] consists of 491 amino acids, corresponding to a theoretical molecular weight of 54.802 kDa. In the present case, again, the N-terminal part of the protein exhibits a high hydrophobicity, suggesting that this domain could be a signal peptide; the hypothetical cleavage site would be situated between glycine ($Gly^{26}$) and alanine ($Ala^{27}$). The mature protein devoid of its signal peptide would have a theoretical molecular weight of 51.95 kDa, corresponding to a value similar to the molecular weight obtained with the protein purified by SDS-PAGE, namely 57 kDa.

**SECTION 3: Comparison of the protein sequences of the ι-carrageenases of *Cytophaga drobachiensis* and *Alteromonas fortis***

After removal of the signal peptide from each sequence, it could be seen that the sequence of the ι-carrageenase of *C. drobachiensis* has similarities to that of the ι-carrageenase of *A. fortis*.

In fact, the two sequences of iota-carrageenase have a similarity of 43.2% over the whole of the linear sequence alignment. This similarity is particularly high (57.8%) between amino acids 164 and 311 (numbering of the iota-carrageenase of *Alteromonas fortis* (Fig. 1)).

At the same time, an HCA analysis showed that the HCA score between the two proteins is 82% over a domain of 293 amino acids and reaches 90.5% in the case of said domain 164-311 (Fig. 2).

No significant similarity to other polysaccharidases known hitherto could be demonstrated.

These two enzymes therefore constitute a novel family of glycosyl hydrolases.

**EXAMPLE II:**

**The kappa-carrageenases of *Alteromonas carrageenovora* and *Cytophaga drobachiensis***

**SECTION 1: Cloning of the kappa-carrageenase genes**

*Alteromonas carrageenovora* ATCC 43555 was obtained from the American Type Culture Collection. The strains *A. carrageenovora* and *C. drobachiensis* were cultivated under conditions identical to those mentioned in section 1 of Example I.

Likewise, genome libraries were constructed using the strain *Escherichia coli* DH5α and plasmid vector pAT153.

**1. Cloning from *Alteromonas carrageenovora***

The preparation of this gene is described in detail by T. Barbeyron in the thesis cited above (cf. Example 1) and in Gene 139, 105-109 (1994).

From the genome library of *Alteromonas carrageenova*, 4 *E. coli* clones, called K1 to K4, were capable of hydrolyzing kappa-carrageenan.

Plasmids pKA1 to pKA4 were purified from the four independent clones and mapped with the aid of the restriction endonucleases *Bam*HI, *Dra*I, *Eco*RI, *Hind*III, *Mlu*I, *Pst*I, *Pvu*II, *Sal*I, *Ssp*I, *Xba*I and *Xho*I.

The presence of a 2.2 kb *Dra*I-*Hind*III fragment was noted in each plasmid.

This common fragment, which is the whole insert of plasmid pKA3, was sequenced in its entirety from plasmid pKA3.

**2. Cloning from *Cytophaga drobachiensis***

From the genome library of *C. drobachiensis*, five *E. coli* clones, called pKC1 to pKC5, were capable of hollowing out a hole in the substrate. The plasmids isolated and purified from said clones were mapped with restriction endonucleases.

Internal fragments of 1100 bp and 600 bp respectively were subcloned from pKC1 in phagemid pbluescript and were called pKCE11 and pKCN6.

Plasmids pKC1, pKCE11 and pKCN6 were used to determine the nucleotide sequence of the kappa-carrageenase gene.

**SECTION 2: Determination of the sequences of the genes coding for the kappa-carrageenases of *Alteromonas carrageenovora* and *Cytophaga drobachiensis***

**1. Sequence of the *Alteromonas carrageenovora* gene**

The number of nucleotides in the pKA3 insert is 2180 bp. Translation in the six reading frames reveals the presence of three open frames, only one of which is complete; this one separates the other two, which are only partial. All three of them are located on the same DNA strand. The second open frame, called *cgkA*, read in the third reading frame, contains 1191 bp [SEQ ID No. 5].

The translation product of the *cgkA* gene corresponds to a protein of 397 amino acids with a theoretical molecular weight of 44,212 Da (SEQ ID No. 6). The hydropathic profile of this protein shows a highly hydrophobic domain,

extending over 25 amino acids, at the N-terminal end. This domain comprises a positively charged amino acid (Lys) followed by a segment rich in hydrophobic amino acids and then by three polar amino acids. These results suggest that a signal peptide is involved. The N-terminal sequence of the protein purified from the culture supernatant was determined, thereby confirming the identity of the gene. These results indicate that the signal peptidase cleaves the protein between residues 25 and 26, which is consistent with Von Heijne's rule (-3, -1). The mature protein therefore has a theoretical molecular weight of 41.6 kDa.

**2. Sequence of the *Cytophaga drobachiensis* gene**

The pKC1 insert of 4425 bp contains a single open reading frame of 1635 bp, called *cgkA* (SEQ ID No. 7).

The protein translated from the kappa-carrageenase gene is a protein comprising 545 amino acids with a molecular weight of 61.466 kDa [SEQ ID No. 8].

The hydropathic profile of this protein shows a highly hydrophobic domain at the N-terminal end, suggesting that a signal peptide is involved.

According to Von Heijne's rule (-3, -1), the cleavage site of the signal peptidase should be situated between threonine and serine in positions 35 and 36 respectively, with the codon $ATG^{875}$ as the initiation codon.

The molecular weight of the protein, calculated after removal of the signal peptide, is 57.4 kDa, which is greater than the molecular weight determined for the purified extracellular κ-carrageenase, namely 40.0 kDa.

**<u>SECTION 3</u>: Comparison of the protein sequences of the κ-carrageenases of *Alteromonas carrageenovora* and *Cytophaga drobachiensis***

The κ-carrageenase of *C. drobachiensis* has a similarity of 36.1% with the κ-carrageenase of *Alteromonas carrageenovora* over the whole of the linear sequence alignment.

This similarity is particularly high between amino acids 117 and 262 (51.8%) (numbering of the κ-carrageenase of *Alteromonas carrageenovora*) (Fig. 3).

As previously, this similarity is substantiated by HCA analysis, which shows an HCA score between the two proteins of 75.4% over said domain of 145 amino acids (Fig. 4).

HCA analysis also shows that these two proteins belong to family 16 of glycosyl hydrolases, which includes endoxyglucan transferases (XET), laminarinases, lichenases and agarases. In fact, the HCA score of the two kappa-carrageenases is 67.5% with XET, 67.6% with laminarinases, 73.7% with lichenases and 71.5% with agarases.

SEQUENCE LISTING

(1) GENERAL INFORMATION:

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(ii) TITLE OF INVENTION: Glycolyse hydrolase genes and their use for producing enzymes for the biodegradtion of carrageenans

(iii) NUMBER OF SEQUENCES: 8

(iv) COMPUTER READABLE FORM:
(A) MEDIUM TYPE: Floppy disk
(B) COMPUTER: IBM PC compatible
(C) OPERATING SYSTEM: PC-DOS/MS-DOS
(D) SOFTWARE: PatentIn Release #1.0, Version #1.30 (EPO)

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 1:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 2085 base pairs
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(ix) FEATURE:
(A) NAME/KEY: CDS
(B) LOCATION:join(211..1683, 1880..2083)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 1:

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Trp Leu Thr Asn Leu Phe Leu Gly Gly Ala Leu Ala Ser Ser Ala Ala
     10                  15                  20

ATA GGG GCT GTC TCC CCC AAG ACT TAT AAG GAC GCA GAT TTT TAT GTT      330
Ile Gly Ala Val Ser Pro Lys Thr Tyr Lys Asp Ala Asp Phe Tyr Val
 25                  30                  35                  40

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Ala Asn Gly Asn Asp Thr Ser Asp Asp Ser Asn Ala Leu Gln Arg Ala
             60                  65                  70

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Ile Asn Ala Ile Ser Arg Lys Pro Asn Gly Gly Thr Leu Leu Ile Pro
         75                  80                  85

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Asn Gly Thr Tyr His Phe Leu Gly Ile Gln Met Lys Ser Asn Val His
     90                  95                  100

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Ile Arg Val Glu Ser Asp Val Ile Ile Lys Pro Thr Trp Asn Gly Asp
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Gly Lys Asn His Arg Leu Phe Glu Val Gly Val Asn Asn Ile Val Arg
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Asn Phe Ser Phe Gln Gly Leu Gly Asn Gly Phe Leu Val Asp Phe Lys
            140                 145                 150

GAT TCT CGC GAC AAA AAC TTA GCT GTT TTT AAG TTA GGC GAT GTT AGA      714
Asp Ser Arg Asp Lys Asn Leu Ala Val Phe Lys Leu Gly Asp Val Arg
        155                 160                 165
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Asn Tyr Lys Ile Ser Asn Phe Thr Ile Asp Asp Asn Lys Thr Ile Phe
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GCC TCA ATT TTA GTG GAC GTA ACA GAA CGT AAT GGG CGG TTA CAT TGG      810
Ala Ser Ile Leu Val Asp Val Thr Glu Arg Asn Gly Arg Leu His Trp
185                 190                 195                 200

TCG CGT AAT GGA ATT ATC GAA AGA ATA AAA CAA AAT AAC GCT TTG TTC      858
Ser Arg Asn Gly Ile Ile Glu Arg Ile Lys Gln Asn Asn Ala Leu Phe
                205                 210                 215

GGC TAC GGC CTT ATT CAA ACC TAT GGC GCA GAT AAT ATT TTG TTT AGG      906
Gly Tyr Gly Leu Ile Gln Thr Tyr Gly Ala Asp Asn Ile Leu Phe Arg
            220                 225                 230

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Asn Leu His Ser Glu Gly Gly Ile Ala Leu Arg Met Glu Thr Asp Asn
        235                 240                 245

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Leu Leu Met Lys Asn Tyr Lys Gln Gly Gly Ile Arg Asn Ile Phe Ala
    250                 255                 260

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Asp Asn Ile Arg Cys Ser Lys Gly Leu Ala Ala Val Met Phe Gly Pro
265                 270                 275                 280

CAT TTT ATG AAG AAT GGA GAT GTG CAA GTG ACC AAT GTC AGC TCA GTT      1098
His Phe Met Lys Asn Gly Asp Val Gln Val Thr Asn Val Ser Ser Val
                285                 290                 295

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Ser Cys Gly Ser Ala Val Arg Ser Asp Ser Gly Phe Val Glu Leu Phe
            300                 305                 310

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Ser Pro Thr Asp Glu Val His Thr Arg Gln Ser Trp Lys Gln Ala Val
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Glu Ser Lys Leu Gly Arg Gly Cys Ala Gln Thr Pro Tyr Ala Arg Gly
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Leu Asp Lys Ala Lys Leu Glu Tyr Gly Ile Glu Pro Gly Ser Phe Gly
                365                 370                 375

ACG GTT AAA GTC TTT GAT GTT ACA GCG CGT TTT GGT TAT AAC GCA GAT      1386
Thr Val Lys Val Phe Asp Val Thr Ala Arg Phe Gly Tyr Asn Ala Asp
            380                 385                 390

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Leu Lys Gln Asp Gln Leu Asp Tyr Phe Ser Thr Ser Asn Pro Met Cys
        395                 400                 405

AAG CGT GTA TGC CTT CCT ACA AAA GAA CAA TGG AGT AAG CAA GGC CAA      1482
Lys Arg Val Cys Leu Pro Thr Lys Glu Gln Trp Ser Lys Gln Gly Gln
    410                 415                 420

ATT TAC ATT GGT CCG TCA TTA GCT GCA GTA ATT GAT ACC ACA CCT GAA      1530
Ile Tyr Ile Gly Pro Ser Leu Ala Ala Val Ile Asp Thr Thr Pro Glu
425                 430                 435                 440

ACT TCA AAA TAC GAT TAT GAT GTG AAA ACT TTT AAC GTC AAA AGA ATA      1578
Thr Ser Lys Tyr Asp Tyr Asp Val Lys Thr Phe Asn Val Lys Arg Ile
                445                 450                 455

AAT TTT CCT GTA AAT TCA CAC AAG ACT ATC GAC ACG AAT ACT GAA AGT      1626
Asn Phe Pro Val Asn Ser His Lys Thr Ile Asp Thr Asn Thr Glu Ser
            460                 465                 470

AGC CGT GTC TGC AAT TAT TAC GGT ATG TCC GAA TGC TCC AGC AGT CGA      1674
Ser Arg Val Cys Asn Tyr Tyr Gly Met Ser Glu Cys Ser Ser Ser Arg
        475                 480                 485

TGG GAG CGA TAGATTAAGC CGCTATATTC ATTTACTAGG TAAAACTTCA              1723
Trp Glu Arg
    490

AGCCGCATTC GAAGAACTAT CGAACGCGGC TTTTTTGTTA AGAGCGCCTA TGACTCAGTA    1783
TATTTTGTAT AAATATAATT TTACATCTTG TTAAAGTAAA CATCATATGT TTATATAGGT    1843
GCAATCTAAT TTGTTAATAT AGTGTTGGAG ATAGGT ATG AAA GGT GTT TCT ACG      1897
                                        Met Lys Gly Val Ser Thr
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AAA AAT GCT CTT TTA TTT GCA GGC TTT TCG TTA AGT CTA GTT GCA CAG      1945
Lys Asn Ala Leu Leu Phe Ala Gly Phe Ser Leu Ser Leu Val Ala Gln
        500                 505                 510

TCA GTT AGT GCA CAA GAA GCA AAA CAG CCT GAA AAA GAA GAA AAA GAT      1993
Ser Val Ser Ala Gln Glu Ala Lys Gln Pro Glu Lys Glu Glu Lys Asp
    515                 520                 525

GTT GAG GTG ATT TTG GTA TCG GCA CAA AAG CGT GAG CAA GCG CTT AAA      2041
Val Glu Val Ile Leu Val Ser Ala Gln Lys Arg Glu Gln Ala Leu Lys
530                 535                 540                 545

GAA GTG CCT GTA TCA ATT GAA GTT ATT CAA GGC GAC CTT CTA GA           2085
Glu Val Pro Val Ser Ile Glu Val Ile Gln Gly Asp Leu Leu
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 2:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 559 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 2:

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             20                  25                  30
Tyr Lys Asp Ala Asp Phe Tyr Val Ala Pro Thr Gln Gln Asp Val Asn
         35                  40                  45
Tyr Asp Leu Val Asp Asp Phe Gly Ala Asn Gly Asn Asp Thr Ser Asp
     50                  55                  60
Asp Ser Asn Ala Leu Gln Arg Ala Ile Asn Ala Ile Ser Arg Lys Pro
 65                  70                  75                  80
Asn Gly Gly Thr Leu Leu Ile Pro Asn Gly Thr Tyr His Phe Leu Gly
                 85                  90                  95
Ile Gln Met Lys Ser Asn Val His Ile Arg Val Glu Ser Asp Val Ile
            100                 105                 110
Ile Lys Pro Thr Trp Asn Gly Asp Gly Lys Asn His Arg Leu Phe Glu
        115                 120                 125
Val Gly Val Asn Asn Ile Val Arg Asn Phe Ser Phe Gln Gly Leu Gly
    130                 135                 140
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Asn Gly Phe Leu Val Asp Phe Lys Asp Ser Arg Asp Lys Asn Leu Ala
145                 150                 155                 160
Val Phe Lys Leu Gly Asp Val Arg Asn Tyr Lys Ile Ser Asn Phe Thr
                165                 170                 175
Ile Asp Asp Asn Lys Thr Ile Phe Ala Ser Ile Leu Val Asp Val Thr
            180                 185                 190
Glu Arg Asn Gly Arg Leu His Trp Ser Arg Asn Gly Ile Ile Glu Arg
        195                 200                 205
Ile Lys Gln Asn Asn Ala Leu Phe Gly Tyr Gly Leu Ile Gln Thr Tyr
    210                 215                 220
Gly Ala Asp Asn Ile Leu Phe Arg Asn Leu His Ser Glu Gly Gly Ile
225                 230                 235                 240
Ala Leu Arg Met Glu Thr Asp Asn Leu Leu Met Lys Asn Tyr Lys Gln
                245                 250                 255
Gly Gly Ile Arg Asn Ile Phe Ala Asp Asn Ile Arg Cys Ser Lys Gly
            260                 265                 270
Leu Ala Ala Val Met Phe Gly Pro His Phe Met Lys Asn Gly Asp Val
        275                 280                 285
Gln Val Thr Asn Val Ser Ser Val Ser Cys Gly Ser Ala Val Arg Ser
    290                 295                 300
Asp Ser Gly Phe Val Glu Leu Phe Ser Pro Thr Asp Glu Val His Thr
305                 310                 315                 320
Arg Gln Ser Trp Lys Gln Ala Val Glu Ser Lys Leu Gly Arg Gly Cys
                325                 330                 335
Ala Gln Thr Pro Tyr Ala Arg Gly Asn Gly Gly Thr Arg Trp Ala Ala
            340                 345                 350
Arg Val Thr Gln Lys Asp Ala Cys Leu Asp Lys Ala Lys Leu Glu Tyr
        355                 360                 365
Gly Ile Glu Pro Gly Ser Phe Gly Thr Val Lys Val Phe Asp Val Thr
    370                 375                 380
Ala Arg Phe Gly Tyr Asn Ala Asp Leu Lys Gln Asp Gln Leu Asp Tyr
385                 390                 395                 400
Phe Ser Thr Ser Asn Pro Met Cys Lys Arg Val Cys Leu Pro Thr Lys
                405                 410                 415
Glu Gln Trp Ser Lys Gln Gly Gln Ile Tyr Ile Gly Pro Ser Leu Ala
            420                 425                 430
Ala Val Ile Asp Thr Thr Pro Glu Thr Ser Lys Tyr Asp Tyr Asp Val
        435                 440                 445
Lys Thr Phe Asn Val Lys Arg Ile Asn Phe Pro Val Asn Ser His Lys
    450                 455                 460
Thr Ile Asp Thr Asn Thr Glu Ser Ser Arg Val Cys Asn Tyr Tyr Gly
465                 470                 475                 480
Met Ser Glu Cys Ser Ser Ser Arg Trp Glu Arg Met Lys Gly Val Ser
                485                 490                 495
Thr Lys Asn Ala Leu Leu Phe Ala Gly Phe Ser Leu Ser Leu Val Ala
            500                 505                 510
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Gln Ser Val Ser Ala Gln Glu Ala Lys Gln Pro Glu Lys Glu Glu Lys
        515                 520                 525
Asp Val Glu Val Ile Leu Val Ser Ala Gln Lys Arg Glu Gln Ala Leu
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Lys Glu Val Pro Val Ser Ile Glu Val Ile Gln Gly Asp Leu Leu
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 3:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 1997 base pairs
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(ix) FEATURE:
(A) NAME/KEY: CDS
(B) LOCATION:join(333..1805, 1866..1997)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 3:

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AAGAGGTGGA AGGGTATAGG ACCGTTACTT ATAATTGGCC CCTGTCGGAA GGGGGGTTAA     240
AGGTAAAATA GTGTTTAAGT GTATTAATTA ACTTCTATAT AAGTAGGAAA ATACACTATA     300
TATTGCGACA TTATTAACCT TAAATTCTTA CA ATG AAA TTA CAA TTT AAA CCT        353
                                   Met Lys Leu Gln Phe Lys Pro
                                     1               5

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Val Tyr Leu Ala Ser Ile Ala Ile Met Ala Ile Gly Cys Thr Lys Glu
         10                  15                  20

GTG ACG GAA AAC GAT ACC TCC GAA ATT TCG GAA GTT CCA ACT GAA TTG       449
Val Thr Glu Asn Asp Thr Ser Glu Ile Ser Glu Val Pro Thr Glu Leu
     25                  30                  35

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Arg Ala Ala Ala Ser Ser Phe Tyr Thr Pro Pro Gly Gln Asn Val Arg
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Ala Asn Lys Lys Asn Leu Val Thr Asp Tyr Gly Val Asn His Asn Asp
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CAG AAC GAT GAT AGT AGC AAA TTA AAC CTG GCT ATC AAA GAT TTA TCG        593
Gln Asn Asp Asp Ser Ser Lys Leu Asn Leu Ala Ile Lys Asp Leu Ser
            75                  80                  85

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Asp Thr Gly Gly Ile Leu Thr Leu Pro Lys Gly Lys Tyr Tyr Leu Thr
        90                  95                  100

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Lys Ile Arg Met Arg Ser Asn Val His Leu Glu Ile Glu Lys Gly Thr
    105                 110                 115

GTA ATC TAT CCG ACC AAG GGG TTG ACT CCT GCG AAG AAT CAC AGA ATT        737
Val Ile Tyr Pro Thr Lys Gly Leu Thr Pro Ala Lys Asn His Arg Ile
120                 125                 130                 135

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Phe Asp Phe Ala Ser Lys Thr Glu Glu Lys Ile Glu Asn Ala Ser Ile
                140                 145                 150

GTG GGT AAA GGA GGT AAG TTT ATA GTA GAC CTA AGA GGC AAC AGT TCT        833
Val Gly Lys Gly Gly Lys Phe Ile Val Asp Leu Arg Gly Asn Ser Ser
            155                 160                 165

AAA AAC CAA ATT GTA GCC GAT GTT GGT AAC GTA ACC AAC TTT AAA ATA        881
Lys Asn Gln Ile Val Ala Asp Val Gly Asn Val Thr Asn Phe Lys Ile
        170                 175                 180

TCG AAT TTT ACG ATC AAG GAT GAA AAA ACC ATC TTT GCT TCG ATA TTG        929
Ser Asn Phe Thr Ile Lys Asp Glu Lys Thr Ile Phe Ala Ser Ile Leu
    185                 190                 195

GTA AGC TTT ACG GAT AAG GCA GGC AAT GCT TGG CCA CAT AAA GGT ATT        977
Val Ser Phe Thr Asp Lys Ala Gly Asn Ala Trp Pro His Lys Gly Ile
200                 205                 210                 215

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Ile Glu Asn Ile Asp Gln Ala Asn Ala His Thr Gly Tyr Gly Leu Ile
                220                 225                 230
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Gly Gly Val Thr Leu Arg Leu Glu Thr Asp Asn Leu Ala Met Lys Thr
        250                 255                 260

GCT AAA AAA GGG GGG GTA AGG GAT ATT TTT GCC ACA AAG ATC AAG AAT      1169
Ala Lys Lys Gly Gly Val Arg Asp Ile Phe Ala Thr Lys Ile Lys Asn
    265                 270                 275

ACC AAT GGC TTG ACC CCG GTA ATG TTC TCT CCC CAT TTT ATG GAA AAC      1217
Thr Asn Gly Leu Thr Pro Val Met Phe Ser Pro His Phe Met Glu Asn
280                 285                 290                 295

GGT AAA GTG ACC ATA GAT GAT GTA ACC GCC ATC GGT TGT GCA TAT GCC      1265
Gly Lys Val Thr Ile Asp Asp Val Thr Ala Ile Gly Cys Ala Tyr Ala
                300                 305                 310

GTA CGT GTA GAG CAC GGT TTT ATA GAG ATT TTC GAT AAG GGG AAT AGG      1313
Val Arg Val Glu His Gly Phe Ile Glu Ile Phe Asp Lys Gly Asn Arg
            315                 320                 325

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Ala Ser Ala Asp Ala Phe Lys Asn Tyr Ile Glu Gly Ile Leu Gly Ala
        330                 335                 340

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Gly Ser Val Glu Val Val Tyr Lys Arg Asn Asn Gly Arg Thr Trp Ala
    345                 350                 355

GCA CGT ATC GCA AAC GAC TTT AAC GAA GCG GCG TAT AAC CAC TCC AAT      1457
Ala Arg Ile Ala Asn Asp Phe Asn Glu Ala Ala Tyr Asn His Ser Asn
360                 365                 370                 375

CCT GCC GTT AGC GGA ATC AAA CCA GGG AAA TTC GCC ACA TCT AAG GTA      1505
Pro Ala Val Ser Gly Ile Lys Pro Gly Lys Phe Ala Thr Ser Lys Val
                380                 385                 390

ACC AAT GTT AAG GCA ACC TAT AAG GGT ACT GGC GCC AAA CTC AAG CAG      1553
Thr Asn Val Lys Ala Thr Tyr Lys Gly Thr Gly Ala Lys Leu Lys Gln
            395                 400                 405
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Ala Phe Leu Ser Tyr Leu Pro Cys Ser Glu Arg Ser Lys Val Cys Arg
        410                 415                 420

CCA GGT CCA GAT GGG TTC GAG TAT AAC GGA CCC TCC TTG GGA GTT ACC      1649
Pro Gly Pro Asp Gly Phe Glu Tyr Asn Gly Pro Ser Leu Gly Val Thr
    425                 430                 435

ATC GAT AAC ACG AAA AGG GAC AAC AGC CTT GGC AAT TAT AAC GTC AAT      1697
Ile Asp Asn Thr Lys Arg Asp Asn Ser Leu Gly Asn Tyr Asn Val Asn
440                 445                 450                 455

GTA AGC ACC TCC AGT GTT CAG GGC TTT CCC AAT AAT TAC GTT TTA AAC      1745
Val Ser Thr Ser Ser Val Gln Gly Phe Pro Asn Asn Tyr Val Leu Asn
                460                 465                 470

GTA AAG TAT AAT ACC CCT AAA GTA TGT AAC CAA AAT CTA GGT AGT ATT      1793
Val Lys Tyr Asn Thr Pro Lys Val Cys Asn Gln Asn Leu Gly Ser Ile
            475                 480                 485

ACT TCG TGT AAC TGATCACGAA ACAATTTGTA AATAAAAAGC AGCTGTCCCT          1845
Thr Ser Cys Asn
        490

TATTACGGGC GGCTGCTTTT ATG TCT TTA AGC CAT GTC GTG ATT TAT TGG        1895
                      Met Ser Leu Ser His Val Val Ile Tyr Trp
                                  495                 500

CGA CTT TTG ATA AAG GCT TGG ATT TCT TCC GGG GTA AAT ATC GGA TTG      1943
Arg Leu Leu Ile Lys Ala Trp Ile Ser Ser Gly Val Asn Ile Gly Leu
            505                 510                 515

GCC CCT TCC CTA CCG GCT ACC ATA GCT CTA TGC TCC TAT GCA CAG GCG      1991
Ala Pro Ser Leu Pro Ala Thr Ile Ala Leu Cys Ser Tyr Ala Gln Ala
        520                 525                 530

AAA TCT                                                             1997
Lys Ser
    535
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 4:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 535 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 4:

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            20                  25                  30
Ser Glu Val Pro Thr Glu Leu Arg Ala Ala Ala Ser Ser Phe Tyr Thr
        35                  40                  45
Pro Pro Gly Gln Asn Val Arg Ala Asn Lys Lys Asn Leu Val Thr Asp
    50                  55                  60
Tyr Gly Val Asn His Asn Asp Gln Asn Asp Asp Ser Ser Lys Leu Asn
65                  70                  75                  80
Leu Ala Ile Lys Asp Leu Ser Asp Thr Gly Gly Ile Leu Thr Leu Pro
                85                  90                  95
Lys Gly Lys Tyr Tyr Leu Thr Lys Ile Arg Met Arg Ser Asn Val His
            100                 105                 110
Leu Glu Ile Glu Lys Gly Thr Val Ile Tyr Pro Thr Lys Gly Leu Thr
        115                 120                 125
Pro Ala Lys Asn His Arg Ile Phe Asp Phe Ala Ser Lys Thr Glu Glu
    130                 135                 140
Lys Ile Glu Asn Ala Ser Ile Val Gly Lys Gly Gly Lys Phe Ile Val
145                 150                 155                 160
Asp Leu Arg Gly Asn Ser Ser Lys Asn Gln Ile Val Ala Asp Val Gly
                165                 170                 175
Asn Val Thr Asn Phe Lys Ile Ser Asn Phe Thr Ile Lys Asp Glu Lys
            180                 185                 190
Thr Ile Phe Ala Ser Ile Leu Val Ser Phe Thr Asp Lys Ala Gly Asn
        195                 200                 205
Ala Trp Pro His Lys Gly Ile Ile Glu Asn Ile Asp Gln Ala Asn Ala
    210                 215                 220
His Thr Gly Tyr Gly Leu Ile Gln Ala Tyr Ala Ala Asp Asn Ile Leu
225                 230                 235                 240
Phe Asn Asn Leu Ser Cys Thr Gly Gly Val Thr Leu Arg Leu Glu Thr
                245                 250                 255
Asp Asn Leu Ala Met Lys Thr Ala Lys Lys Gly Gly Val Arg Asp Ile
            260                 265                 270
Phe Ala Thr Lys Ile Lys Asn Thr Asn Gly Leu Thr Pro Val Met Phe
        275                 280                 285
Ser Pro His Phe Met Glu Asn Gly Lys Val Thr Ile Asp Asp Val Thr
    290                 295                 300
Ala Ile Gly Cys Ala Tyr Ala Val Arg Val Glu His Gly Phe Ile Glu
305                 310                 315                 320
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Ile Phe Asp Lys Gly Asn Arg Ala Ser Ala Asp Ala Phe Lys Asn Tyr
                325                 330                 335
Ile Glu Gly Ile Leu Gly Ala Gly Ser Val Glu Val Val Tyr Lys Arg
            340                 345                 350
Asn Asn Gly Arg Thr Trp Ala Ala Arg Ile Ala Asn Asp Phe Asn Glu
        355                 360                 365
Ala Ala Tyr Asn His Ser Asn Pro Ala Val Ser Gly Ile Lys Pro Gly
    370                 375                 380
Lys Phe Ala Thr Ser Lys Val Thr Asn Val Lys Ala Thr Tyr Lys Gly
385                 390                 395                 400
Thr Gly Ala Lys Leu Lys Gln Ala Phe Leu Ser Tyr Leu Pro Cys Ser
                405                 410                 415
Glu Arg Ser Lys Val Cys Arg Pro Gly Pro Asp Gly Phe Glu Tyr Asn
            420                 425                 430
Gly Pro Ser Leu Gly Val Thr Ile Asp Asn Thr Lys Arg Asp Asn Ser
        435                 440                 445
Leu Gly Asn Tyr Asn Val Asn Val Ser Thr Ser Ser Val Gln Gly Phe
    450                 455                 460
Pro Asn Asn Tyr Val Leu Asn Val Lys Tyr Asn Thr Pro Lys Val Cys
465                 470                 475                 480
Asn Gln Asn Leu Gly Ser Ile Thr Ser Cys Asn Met Ser Leu Ser His
                485                 490                 495
Val Val Ile Tyr Trp Arg Leu Leu Ile Lys Ala Trp Ile Ser Ser Gly
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Val Asn Ile Gly Leu Ala Pro Ser Leu Pro Ala Thr Ile Ala Leu Cys
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 5:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 2180 base pairs
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(ix) FEATURE:
(A) NAME/KEY: CDS
(B) LOCATION:join(1..498, 741..1931, 2009..2179)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 5:

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ATT AGT TTT TTT AAA GCT GAC AAA GGG AGT GTG AGC AGG CAA GTA CAC          96
Ile Ser Phe Phe Lys Ala Asp Lys Gly Ser Val Ser Arg Gln Val His
             20                  25                  30

CCA CCT TGG CCT GTG CCT TGT AAA AGT AAA CTG CAA GAG CAA GAT AGT         144
Pro Pro Trp Pro Val Pro Cys Lys Ser Lys Leu Gln Glu Gln Asp Ser
         35                  40                  45

AGT GAG TCT AAA GAG AGT AAG GCA GAG CAA GTT AAA ATT AAC AAC TGC         192
Ser Glu Ser Lys Glu Ser Lys Ala Glu Gln Val Lys Ile Asn Asn Cys
     50                  55                  60

GTT GTA CAG AAC GCA ATG CTG TAC ATA GAA AAC AAT TAT TTC AAC GAT         240
Val Val Gln Asn Ala Met Leu Tyr Ile Glu Asn Asn Tyr Phe Asn Asp
 65                  70                  75                  80

ATA AAT ATA GAC ACG GTT GCT TTT TCT GTT GGC GTA AGT CGC TCT TAT         288
Ile Asn Ile Asp Thr Val Ala Phe Ser Val Gly Val Ser Arg Ser Tyr
                 85                  90                  95

CTC GTT AAA CAA TTT AAG TTA GCA ACG AAT AAA ACG ATT AAT AAT AGA         336
Leu Val Lys Gln Phe Lys Leu Ala Thr Asn Lys Thr Ile Asn Asn Arg
             100                 105                 110

ATC ATA GAA GTA AGA ATA GAG CAG GCT AAA AAA GTA TTA CTA AAA AAA         384
Ile Ile Glu Val Arg Ile Glu Gln Ala Lys Lys Val Leu Leu Lys Lys
         115                 120                 125

TCT GTT ACA GAA ACA GCT TAT GAA GTT GGT TTT AAT AAC TCA AAC TAC         432
Ser Val Thr Glu Thr Ala Tyr Glu Val Gly Phe Asn Asn Ser Asn Tyr
     130                 135                 140

TTC GCG ACA GTT TTT AAA AAA AGA ACA AAC TAC ACG CCC AAG CAA TTT         480
Phe Ala Thr Val Phe Lys Lys Arg Thr Asn Tyr Thr Pro Lys Gln Phe
145                 150                 155                 160

AAA CGT ACT TTT TCC AGC TAAAACTACA ACTAAATAAC GATTAAAAGC                528
Lys Arg Thr Phe Ser Ser
                165

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TCAGTTCACA CTAACAAAGG ATGGATAAAT AA ATG AAA CCT ATA AGT ATT GTG         761
                                    Met Lys Pro Ile Ser Ile Val
                                                170

GCA TTC CCT ATA CCA GCT ATA AGT ATG CTT CTT TTA AGT GCA GTA TCA         809
Ala Phe Pro Ile Pro Ala Ile Ser Met Leu Leu Leu Ser Ala Val Ser
    175                 180                 185

CAA GCA GCA TCT ATG CAA CCT CCC ATC GCA AAA CCT GGT GAA ACA TGG         857
Gln Ala Ala Ser Met Gln Pro Pro Ile Ala Lys Pro Gly Glu Thr Trp
190                 195                 200                 205

ATT TTA CAA GCC AAA CGC TCT GAC GAA TTT AAC GTA AAA GAT GCG ACA         905
Ile Leu Gln Ala Lys Arg Ser Asp Glu Phe Asn Val Lys Asp Ala Thr
                210                 215                 220

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Lys Trp Asn Phe Gln Thr Glu Asn Tyr Gly Val Trp Ser Trp Lys Asn
            225                 230                 235

GAA AAT GCG ACA GTA TCT AAT GGC AAA CTA AAA TTA ACC ACT AAG CGA        1001
Glu Asn Ala Thr Val Ser Asn Gly Lys Leu Lys Leu Thr Thr Lys Arg
        240                 245                 250

GAA TCT CAT CAA CGT ACA TTC TGG GAT GGC TGT AAT CAG CAG CAA GTT        1049
Glu Ser His Gln Arg Thr Phe Trp Asp Gly Cys Asn Gln Gln Gln Val
    255                 260                 265

GCA AAT TAC CCA CTT TAT TAT ACA TCG GGT GTC GCT AAA TCC AGA GCT        1097
Ala Asn Tyr Pro Leu Tyr Tyr Thr Ser Gly Val Ala Lys Ser Arg Ala
270                 275                 280                 285

ACA GGT AAT TAT GGC TAT TAC GAA GCT CGA ATC AAA GGA GCG AGT ACA        1145
Thr Gly Asn Tyr Gly Tyr Tyr Glu Ala Arg Ile Lys Gly Ala Ser Thr
                290                 295                 300

TTT CCT GGC GTA TCG CCT GCT TTT TGG ATG TAT AGC ACC ATT GAC CGT        1193
Phe Pro Gly Val Ser Pro Ala Phe Trp Met Tyr Ser Thr Ile Asp Arg
            305                 310                 315

TCA TTA ACG AAA GAA GGG GAT GTC CAA TAT AGC GAA ATA GAC GTA GTG        1241
Ser Leu Thr Lys Glu Gly Asp Val Gln Tyr Ser Glu Ile Asp Val Val
        320                 325                 330
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GAA CTT ACT CAA AAA AGT GCA GTG AGA GAG TCT GAT CAT GAC TTA CAC      1289
Glu Leu Thr Gln Lys Ser Ala Val Arg Glu Ser Asp His Asp Leu His
    335                 340                 345

AAT ATT GTA GTA AAA AAT GGA AAA CCA ACA TGG ATG CGT CCA GGG TCT      1337
Asn Ile Val Val Lys Asn Gly Lys Pro Thr Trp Met Arg Pro Gly Ser
350                 355                 360                 365

TTT CCG CAG ACA AAT CAT AAC GGA TAC CAT CTA CCT TTC GAT CCT CGA      1385
Phe Pro Gln Thr Asn His Asn Gly Tyr His Leu Pro Phe Asp Pro Arg
                370                 375                 380

AAT GAC TTT CAC ACC TAT GGT GTC AAT GTA ACT AAA GAC AAG ATC ACT      1433
Asn Asp Phe His Thr Tyr Gly Val Asn Val Thr Lys Asp Lys Ile Thr
            385                 390                 395

TGG TAC GTA GAT GGT GAA ATT GTG GGC GAA AAG GAT AAC TTA TAC TGG      1481
Trp Tyr Val Asp Gly Glu Ile Val Gly Glu Lys Asp Asn Leu Tyr Trp
        400                 405                 410

CAT CGT CAA ATG AAT CTC ACA TTA TCA CAA GGC TTA CGC GCG CCG CAT      1529
His Arg Gln Met Asn Leu Thr Leu Ser Gln Gly Leu Arg Ala Pro His
    415                 420                 425

ACA CAA TGG AAA TGT AAT CAA TTT TAC CCA TCA GCG AAT AAA TCA GCA      1577
Thr Gln Trp Lys Cys Asn Gln Phe Tyr Pro Ser Ala Asn Lys Ser Ala
430                 435                 440                 445

GAA GGC TTC CCA ACA TCA ATG GAA GTT GAT TAT GTA AGA ACG TGG GTA      1625
Glu Gly Phe Pro Thr Ser Met Glu Val Asp Tyr Val Arg Thr Trp Val
                450                 455                 460

AAG GTG GGC AAT AAC AAC TCT GCT CCA GGC GAG GGG CAG TCA TGT CCT      1673
Lys Val Gly Asn Asn Asn Ser Ala Pro Gly Glu Gly Gln Ser Cys Pro
            465                 470                 475

AAC ACG TTT GTA GCT GTC AAT AGT GTT CAA CTA AGC GCA GCA AAA CAA      1721
Asn Thr Phe Val Ala Val Asn Ser Val Gln Leu Ser Ala Ala Lys Gln
        480                 485                 490

ACA CTT CGA AAG GGC CAA TCT ACA ACG CTA GAA AGC ACA GTT CTT CCA      1769
Thr Leu Arg Lys Gly Gln Ser Thr Thr Leu Glu Ser Thr Val Leu Pro
    495                 500                 505
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AAC TGT GCA ACC AAC AAG AAA GTC ATT TAT TCA TCA AGC AAT AAA AAT      1817
Asn Cys Ala Thr Asn Lys Lys Val Ile Tyr Ser Ser Ser Asn Lys Asn
510                 515                 520                 525

GTG GCA ACT GTG AAC AGT GCT GGC GTT GTA AAA GCT AAA AAT AAA GGC      1865
Val Ala Thr Val Asn Ser Ala Gly Val Val Lys Ala Lys Asn Lys Gly
                530                 535                 540

ACT GCG ACG ATT ACG GTT AAA ACT AAA AAC AAA GGG AAA ATA GAT AAA      1913
Thr Ala Thr Ile Thr Val Lys Thr Lys Asn Lys Gly Lys Ile Asp Lys
            545                 550                 555

TTA ACC ATT GCG GTG AAT TAAGCTAACT CAAACTAGCC TCGAAGGATT             1961
Leu Thr Ile Ala Val Asn
        560

GAGGCACTTT ATTTATAGGT CTCAGGCTTC GACTTTTTGG AGGGGGT ATG AAA AAG      2017
                                                    Met Lys Lys
                                                        565

GTA AAT TTA TCC AGC AAG TGG ATA ATT AGC ATT AGT TTA CTA ATC ATT      2065
Val Asn Leu Ser Ser Lys Trp Ile Ile Ser Ile Ser Leu Leu Ile Ile
            570                 575                 580

TGT GAT TAT GTT TAT TTA ATA CGA ACA AAC GTT AAC GAG CAA GCT AAC      2113
Cys Asp Tyr Val Tyr Leu Ile Arg Thr Asn Val Asn Glu Gln Ala Asn
        585                 590                 595

GCA GAA GCT ACT GCA CAT ATG CAT TAC AAA ATA AAT AAT ACG AAA CAC      2161
Ala Glu Ala Thr Ala His Met His Tyr Lys Ile Asn Asn Thr Lys His
    600                 605                 610

TCA AAA GGA AAG CTT GAT C                                           2180
Ser Lys Gly Lys Leu Asp
615                 620
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 6:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 620 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 6:

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Ile Ser Phe Phe Lys Ala Asp Lys Gly Ser Val Ser Arg Gln Val His
            20                  25                  30
Pro Pro Trp Pro Val Pro Cys Lys Ser Lys Leu Gln Glu Gln Asp Ser
        35                  40                  45
Ser Glu Ser Lys Glu Ser Lys Ala Glu Gln Val Lys Ile Asn Asn Cys
    50                  55                  60
Val Val Gln Asn Ala Met Leu Tyr Ile Glu Asn Asn Tyr Phe Asn Asp
65                  70                  75                  80
Ile Asn Ile Asp Thr Val Ala Phe Ser Val Gly Val Ser Arg Ser Tyr
                85                  90                  95
Leu Val Lys Gln Phe Lys Leu Ala Thr Asn Lys Thr Ile Asn Asn Arg
            100                 105                 110
Ile Ile Glu Val Arg Ile Glu Gln Ala Lys Lys Val Leu Leu Lys Lys
        115                 120                 125
Ser Val Thr Glu Thr Ala Tyr Glu Val Gly Phe Asn Asn Ser Asn Tyr
    130                 135                 140
Phe Ala Thr Val Phe Lys Lys Arg Thr Asn Tyr Thr Pro Lys Gln Phe
145                 150                 155                 160
Lys Arg Thr Phe Ser Ser Met Lys Pro Ile Ser Ile Val Ala Phe Pro
                165                 170                 175
Ile Pro Ala Ile Ser Met Leu Leu Leu Ser Ala Val Ser Gln Ala Ala
            180                 185                 190
Ser Met Gln Pro Pro Ile Ala Lys Pro Gly Glu Thr Trp Ile Leu Gln
        195                 200                 205
Ala Lys Arg Ser Asp Glu Phe Asn Val Lys Asp Ala Thr Lys Trp Asn
    210                 215                 220
Phe Gln Thr Glu Asn Tyr Gly Val Trp Ser Trp Lys Asn Glu Asn Ala
225                 230                 235                 240
Thr Val Ser Asn Gly Lys Leu Lys Leu Thr Thr Lys Arg Glu Ser His
                245                 250                 255
Gln Arg Thr Phe Trp Asp Gly Cys Asn Gln Gln Gln Val Ala Asn Tyr
            260                 265                 270
Pro Leu Tyr Tyr Thr Ser Gly Val Ala Lys Ser Arg Ala Thr Gly Asn
        275                 280                 285
Tyr Gly Tyr Tyr Glu Ala Arg Ile Lys Gly Ala Ser Thr Phe Pro Gly
    290                 295                 300
Val Ser Pro Ala Phe Trp Met Tyr Ser Thr Ile Asp Arg Ser Leu Thr
305                 310                 315                 320
Lys Glu Gly Asp Val Gln Tyr Ser Glu Ile Asp Val Val Glu Leu Thr
                325                 330                 335
Gln Lys Ser Ala Val Arg Glu Ser Asp His Asp Leu His Asn Ile Val
            340                 345                 350
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Val Lys Asn Gly Lys Pro Thr Trp Met Arg Pro Gly Ser Phe Pro Gln
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His Thr Tyr Gly Val Asn Val Thr Lys Asp Lys Ile Thr Trp Tyr Val
385                 390                 395                 400
Asp Gly Glu Ile Val Gly Glu Lys Asp Asn Leu Tyr Trp His Arg Gln
                405                 410                 415
Met Asn Leu Thr Leu Ser Gln Gly Leu Arg Ala Pro His Thr Gln Trp
            420                 425                 430
Lys Cys Asn Gln Phe Tyr Pro Ser Ala Asn Lys Ser Ala Glu Gly Phe
        435                 440                 445
Pro Thr Ser Met Glu Val Asp Tyr Val Arg Thr Trp Val Lys Val Gly
    450                 455                 460
Asn Asn Asn Ser Ala Pro Gly Glu Gly Gln Ser Cys Pro Asn Thr Phe
465                 470                 475                 480
Val Ala Val Asn Ser Val Gln Leu Ser Ala Ala Lys Gln Thr Leu Arg
                485                 490                 495
Lys Gly Gln Ser Thr Thr Leu Glu Ser Thr Val Leu Pro Asn Cys Ala
            500                 505                 510
Thr Asn Lys Lys Val Ile Tyr Ser Ser Ser Asn Lys Asn Val Ala Thr
        515                 520                 525
Val Asn Ser Ala Gly Val Val Lys Ala Lys Asn Lys Gly Thr Ala Thr
    530                 535                 540
Ile Thr Val Lys Thr Lys Asn Lys Gly Lys Ile Asp Lys Leu Thr Ile
545                 550                 555                 560
Ala Val Asn Met Lys Lys Val Asn Leu Ser Ser Lys Trp Ile Ile Ser
                565                 570                 575
Ile Ser Leu Leu Ile Ile Cys Asp Tyr Val Tyr Leu Ile Arg Thr Asn
            580                 585                 590
Val Asn Glu Gln Ala Asn Ala Glu Ala Thr Ala His Met His Tyr Lys
        595                 600                 605
Ile Asn Asn Thr Lys His Ser Lys Gly Lys Leu Asp
    610                 615                 620
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 7:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 2600 base pairs
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(ix) FEATURE:
(A) NAME/KEY: CDS
(B) LOCATION:875..2509

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 7:

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ACCGGTTCCA TTGAAAAGGC CCTAAAAATA CAGCTTTCCC GCCCCCCATC GTAGAAGGTT     180
CCAATATGCT TCAACCCCTT TTTCAGCCTT ACTTCAGGGG TATTACTTTC ATGCCTAGGG     240
CCGCAAATAC ATTCGCTTGG ACCCAGTCAC CTATATAATT GAATACGGAA CTACCCATGG     300
CTTCCTTCCC TTTGGGAACC TATGGTACAG ACTTGCCTTT TTTAAACCGG TTACTTCAGC     360
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TCTTATCCAA TATTTTGCGG TCTCATGGGA CAAATCTATA ACAAACATTC AATTTTACCA     480
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AAGATCATGG CTATAATTAG TTGAAAAAAC AGGGCTTACC ATGACATGGA GCTTTATTGA     660
AAACAGATGT CCAACAAGAA TAAAGGAGGG CCGTTCGACC GCGACGTTTA AATAAAAACA     720
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ATTAGTTAGG ATAATACTAC AAAATGGTAA AATTGGATTA CTCAGATTGA ACCATAGCCT     840
CTACTTTAGT CGGCTAACAA AAACAATTAT AGTA ATG AAA AAA CCA AAT TTT          892
                                      Met Lys Lys Pro Asn Phe
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TAT GGC AAG ATG GGT AGA ACT GCA CTT TCA AGT CTT TTC TAC CTC TTT       940
Tyr Gly Lys Met Gly Arg Thr Ala Leu Ser Ser Leu Phe Tyr Leu Phe
            10                  15                  20

TTC CTA GGC CTT GTG TAT GGG CAA CAA CCT ACG AAG ACT TCA AAT CCG       988
Phe Leu Gly Leu Val Tyr Gly Gln Gln Pro Thr Lys Thr Ser Asn Pro
        25                  30                  35

AAC GAT CAG TGG ACC ATC AAA TGG AGT GCT TCG GAC GAA TTC AAC AAA      1036
Asn Asp Gln Trp Thr Ile Lys Trp Ser Ala Ser Asp Glu Phe Asn Lys
    40                  45                  50

AAT GAC CCC GAC TGG GCA AAA TGG ATC AAG ACA GGA AAC CTT CCG AAT      1084
Asn Asp Pro Asp Trp Ala Lys Trp Ile Lys Thr Gly Asn Leu Pro Asn
55                  60                  65                  70

ACA TCG GCA TGG AAA TGG AAC AAT CAA AAA AAC GTA AAG ATT TCC AAC      1132
Thr Ser Ala Trp Lys Trp Asn Asn Gln Lys Asn Val Lys Ile Ser Asn
                75                  80                  85
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GGA ATT GCG GAA CTA ACG ATG AGG CAT AAC GCC AAT AAT ACC CCA CCT      1180
Gly Ile Ala Glu Leu Thr Met Arg His Asn Ala Asn Asn Thr Pro Pro
             90                  95                 100

GAC GGA GGA ACC TAT TTC ACC TCT GGG ATA TTT AAG TCG TAC CAA AAA      1228
Asp Gly Gly Thr Tyr Phe Thr Ser Gly Ile Phe Lys Ser Tyr Gln Lys
        105                 110                 115

TTT ACG TAT GGA TAC TTT GAG GCC AAA ATC CAA GGA GCG GAT ATA GGT      1276
Phe Thr Tyr Gly Tyr Phe Glu Ala Lys Ile Gln Gly Ala Asp Ile Gly
    120                 125                 130

GAA GGC GTA TGC CCA TCG TTT TGG CTT TAT AGT GAT TTC GAC TAT TCC      1324
Glu Gly Val Cys Pro Ser Phe Trp Leu Tyr Ser Asp Phe Asp Tyr Ser
135                 140                 145                 150

GTA GCC AAT GGG GAA ACG GTA TAC AGT GAA ATA GAT GTA GTT GAA CTA      1372
Val Ala Asn Gly Glu Thr Val Tyr Ser Glu Ile Asp Val Val Glu Leu
                155                 160                 165

CAA CAA TTC GAT TGG TAT GAA GGC CAT CAG GAC GAC ATT TAC GAC ATG      1420
Gln Gln Phe Asp Trp Tyr Glu Gly His Gln Asp Asp Ile Tyr Asp Met
            170                 175                 180

GAC TTA AAT CTA CAC GCC GTT GTC AAA GAA AAC GGA CAG GGG GTT TGG      1468
Asp Leu Asn Leu His Ala Val Val Lys Glu Asn Gly Gln Gly Val Trp
        185                 190                 195

AAA AGG CCA AAA ATG TAC CCT CAA GAA CAG TTG AAC AAA TGG AGA GCC      1516
Lys Arg Pro Lys Met Tyr Pro Gln Glu Gln Leu Asn Lys Trp Arg Ala
    200                 205                 210

ATG GAC CCG AGT AAA GAC TTT CAT ATC TAT GGT TGT GAA GTG AAC CAG      1564
Met Asp Pro Ser Lys Asp Phe His Ile Tyr Gly Cys Glu Val Asn Gln
215                 220                 225                 230

AAC GAA ATC ATA TGG TAT GTT GAC GGT GTC GAG GTT GCC CGA AAA CCA      1612
Asn Glu Ile Ile Trp Tyr Val Asp Gly Val Glu Val Ala Arg Lys Pro
                235                 240                 245

AAT AAA TAT TGG CAT CGC CCC ATG AAC GTT ACC CTT TCA TTG GGA CTC      1660
Asn Lys Tyr Trp His Arg Pro Met Asn Val Thr Leu Ser Leu Gly Leu
            250                 255                 260
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AGA AAA CCA TTT GTG AAA TTT TTC GAC AAT AAG AAC AAT GCC ATA AAT      1708
Arg Lys Pro Phe Val Lys Phe Phe Asp Asn Lys Asn Asn Ala Ile Asn
        265                 270                 275

CCA GAA ACC GAT GCC AAG GCA AGG GAA AAA TTA TCG GAT ATA CCT ACA      1756
Pro Glu Thr Asp Ala Lys Ala Arg Glu Lys Leu Ser Asp Ile Pro Thr
    280                 285                 290

TCG ATG TAT GTG GAT TAC GTT CGG GTC TGG GAA AAA TCA GCA GGT AAC      1804
Ser Met Tyr Val Asp Tyr Val Arg Val Trp Glu Lys Ser Ala Gly Asn
295                 300                 305                 310

ACT ACC AAT CCC CCA ACC AGC GAG GTC GGC ACA CTA AAA ACA AAG GGT      1852
Thr Thr Asn Pro Pro Thr Ser Glu Val Gly Thr Leu Lys Thr Lys Gly
                315                 320                 325

TCG AAA CTG GTG ATT GAC CAT TGG GAT GCA AGT ACA GGG ACT ATT TCG      1900
Ser Lys Leu Val Ile Asp His Trp Asp Ala Ser Thr Gly Thr Ile Ser
            330                 335                 340

GCT GTC AGT AAC AAT ACA AAG ACA GGT CAA TAT GCC GGT TCA GTG AAC      1948
Ala Val Ser Asn Asn Thr Lys Thr Gly Gln Tyr Ala Gly Ser Val Asn
        345                 350                 355

AAC GCG AGC ATC GCC CAG ATA GTA ACA TTA AAA GCG AAT ACT TCA TAT      1996
Asn Ala Ser Ile Ala Gln Ile Val Thr Leu Lys Ala Asn Thr Ser Tyr
    360                 365                 370

AAG GTA TCG GCT TTC GGA AAG GCC AGC TCA CCC GGA ACA TCG GCT TAT      2044
Lys Val Ser Ala Phe Gly Lys Ala Ser Ser Pro Gly Thr Ser Ala Tyr
375                 380                 385                 390

CTA GGC ATT AGT AAA GCA TCC AAC AAC GAA CTC ATA AGC AAT TTT GAA      2092
Leu Gly Ile Ser Lys Ala Ser Asn Asn Glu Leu Ile Ser Asn Phe Glu
                395                 400                 405

TTC AAA ACA ACC TCA TAC TCC AAA GGC GAG ATT GAG ATA AGA ACT GGA      2140
Phe Lys Thr Thr Ser Tyr Ser Lys Gly Glu Ile Glu Ile Arg Thr Gly
            410                 415                 420

AAT GTT CAG GAA TCA TAT CGC ATA TGG TAT TGG TCT TCC GGG CAA GCC      2188
Asn Val Gln Glu Ser Tyr Arg Ile Trp Tyr Trp Ser Ser Gly Gln Ala
        425                 430                 435
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TAT TGC GAT GAT TTT AAC CTT GTT GAA ATA AAC AGC GGG GCT TCA CAA      2236
Tyr Cys Asp Asp Phe Asn Leu Val Glu Ile Asn Ser Gly Ala Ser Gln
    440                 445                 450

CTC AAT GAA AAT GAG ACT GAA ACA GCA CTG GAA AAA GGT ATA CAC ATT      2284
Leu Asn Glu Asn Glu Thr Glu Thr Ala Leu Glu Lys Gly Ile His Ile
455                 460                 465                 470

TAT CCG AAT CCC TAT AAA AAC GGT CCA TTG ACA ATC GAT TTT GGC AAA      2332
Tyr Pro Asn Pro Tyr Lys Asn Gly Pro Leu Thr Ile Asp Phe Gly Lys
                475                 480                 485

CCC TTC AGC GGC GAG GTC CAA ATC ACC GGT TTA AAC GGT AGA ACA TTC      2380
Pro Phe Ser Gly Glu Val Gln Ile Thr Gly Leu Asn Gly Arg Thr Phe
            490                 495                 500

TTA AGA AGA AAT GTT GTC GAT CAA ACT TCG GTT CAG CTC CTA GAA TCC      2428
Leu Arg Arg Asn Val Val Asp Gln Thr Ser Val Gln Leu Leu Glu Ser
        505                 510                 515

AAA TCT AAA TTC AAG AGC GGT CTA TAT ATC GTT AAA ATT AGT GGC CCG      2476
Lys Ser Lys Phe Lys Ser Gly Leu Tyr Ile Val Lys Ile Ser Gly Pro
    520                 525                 530

GAT GGA GAG GTT TCA AAA AAG ATA CTC GTG GAG TAACTAAAAA TCAATTTTTA    2529
Asp Gly Glu Val Ser Lys Lys Ile Leu Val Glu
535                 540                 545

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 8:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 545 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 8:

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Met Lys Lys Pro Asn Phe Tyr Gly Lys Met Gly Arg Thr Ala Leu Ser
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Ser Leu Phe Tyr Leu Phe Phe Leu Gly Leu Val Tyr Gly Gln Gln Pro
             20                  25                  30
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Thr Lys Thr Ser Asn Pro Asn Asp Gln Trp Thr Ile Lys Trp Ser Ala
          35                  40                  45
Ser Asp Glu Phe Asn Lys Asn Asp Pro Asp Trp Ala Lys Trp Ile Lys
      50                  55                  60
Thr Gly Asn Leu Pro Asn Thr Ser Ala Trp Lys Trp Asn Asn Gln Lys
 65                  70                  75                  80
Asn Val Lys Ile Ser Asn Gly Ile Ala Glu Leu Thr Met Arg His Asn
                 85                  90                  95
Ala Asn Asn Thr Pro Pro Asp Gly Gly Thr Tyr Phe Thr Ser Gly Ile
            100                 105                 110
Phe Lys Ser Tyr Gln Lys Phe Thr Tyr Gly Tyr Phe Glu Ala Lys Ile
        115                 120                 125
Gln Gly Ala Asp Ile Gly Glu Gly Val Cys Pro Ser Phe Trp Leu Tyr
    130                 135                 140
Ser Asp Phe Asp Tyr Ser Val Ala Asn Gly Glu Thr Val Tyr Ser Glu
145                 150                 155                 160
Ile Asp Val Val Glu Leu Gln Gln Phe Asp Trp Tyr Glu Gly His Gln
                165                 170                 175
Asp Asp Ile Tyr Asp Met Asp Leu Asn Leu His Ala Val Val Lys Glu
            180                 185                 190
Asn Gly Gln Gly Val Trp Lys Arg Pro Lys Met Tyr Pro Gln Glu Gln
        195                 200                 205
Leu Asn Lys Trp Arg Ala Met Asp Pro Ser Lys Asp Phe His Ile Tyr
    210                 215                 220
Gly Cys Glu Val Asn Gln Asn Glu Ile Ile Trp Tyr Val Asp Gly Val
225                 230                 235                 240
Glu Val Ala Arg Lys Pro Asn Lys Tyr Trp His Arg Pro Met Asn Val
                245                 250                 255
Thr Leu Ser Leu Gly Leu Arg Lys Pro Phe Val Lys Phe Phe Asp Asn
            260                 265                 270
Lys Asn Asn Ala Ile Asn Pro Glu Thr Asp Ala Lys Ala Arg Glu Lys
        275                 280                 285
Leu Ser Asp Ile Pro Thr Ser Met Tyr Val Asp Tyr Val Arg Val Trp
    290                 295                 300
Glu Lys Ser Ala Gly Asn Thr Thr Asn Pro Pro Thr Ser Glu Val Gly
305                 310                 315                 320
Thr Leu Lys Thr Lys Gly Ser Lys Leu Val Ile Asp His Trp Asp Ala
                325                 330                 335
Ser Thr Gly Thr Ile Ser Ala Val Ser Asn Asn Thr Lys Thr Gly Gln
            340                 345                 350
Tyr Ala Gly Ser Val Asn Asn Ala Ser Ile Ala Gln Ile Val Thr Leu
        355                 360                 365
Lys Ala Asn Thr Ser Tyr Lys Val Ser Ala Phe Gly Lys Ala Ser Ser
    370                 375                 380
Pro Gly Thr Ser Ala Tyr Leu Gly Ile Ser Lys Ala Ser Asn Asn Glu
385                 390                 395                 400
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            420                 425                 430
Trp Ser Ser Gly Gln Ala Tyr Cys Asp Asp Phe Asn Leu Val Glu Ile
        435                 440                 445
Asn Ser Gly Ala Ser Gln Leu Asn Glu Asn Glu Thr Glu Thr Ala Leu
    450                 455                 460
Glu Lys Gly Ile His Ile Tyr Pro Asn Pro Tyr Lys Asn Gly Pro Leu
465                 470                 475                 480
Thr Ile Asp Phe Gly Lys Pro Phe Ser Gly Glu Val Gln Ile Thr Gly
                485                 490                 495
Leu Asn Gly Arg Thr Phe Leu Arg Arg Asn Val Val Asp Gln Thr Ser
            500                 505                 510
Val Gln Leu Leu Glu Ser Lys Ser Lys Phe Lys Ser Gly Leu Tyr Ile
        515                 520                 525
Val Lys Ile Ser Gly Pro Asp Gly Glu Val Ser Lys Lys Ile Leu Val
    530                 535                 540
Glu
545
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